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For: **AERODYNAMIC DIFFUSER, CONTRACTION, AND FAIRING FOR DISK BASE AND RE-ACCELERATION  
DRAG REDUCTION IN HARD DISK DRIVES**

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Patent Specification
- ☒ Formal Drawings – Five (5) sheets
- ☒ An Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ An Executed Assignment of the invention to Hitachi Global Storage Technologies Netherlands B.V. (includes Recordation Form Cover Sheet)
- ☒ Return Postcard
- ☐ A certified copy of a European Patent Application No. \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 – Other Prior Art References AL-AR are included.

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